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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT**

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Access Platform for Internal  
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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 13, 20078 for which a one-month period for response was given making this response due on or before July 14, 2008 (July 13, 2008 being a Sunday).

**THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In the Official Action dated June 13, 2008, the Examiner required an election of one of the following two inventions that the Examiner identified:

Group I – claims 115-119 and 122-123 drawn to a method for providing a surgical access; and

Group II – claims 120-121 drawn to a method.

The Examiner required election of one of the above-listed inventions I-II, in order to be responsive to the Office Action.

**RESPONSE**

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 115-119 and 122-123, without traverse